

Chapter 5.74

PARKING LOTS AND GARAGES— PARKING OR STORAGE

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5.74.010 License—Required.

It is unlawful to operate or maintain a public garage in the city without having first obtained a license therefor as is provided in this section.

5.74.020 License—Fee.

The annual fee for license to operate or maintain a public garage shall be as specified in the fee schedule adopted pursuant to section 5.06.050.

5.74.030 Operation—Premises location restrictions.

It is unlawful to maintain or operate any public garage in a frame building, or in any building or structure used for school, church or theater purposes, or in any building that does not conform to the requirements of the

building ordinances. The premises of every garage must be kept clean and free from flammable waste material.

5.74.040 Changing identification marks or license tags.

It is unlawful to change the identification marks on the engine of any car or automobile in any public garage. It is also unlawful to change the license tags on cars, excepting in accordance with the register of motor vehicles kept by the State Division of Motor Vehicles.

5.74.050 Inspection for compliance.

The police department and the fire department shall make or cause to be made inspections of public garages as may be necessary to insure compliance with the provisions of these provisions. Any law enforcement officer shall be permitted at any reasonable time to view every car stored or kept in any public garage, and it is unlawful to hinder any such inspection or to conceal any motorcar or motor vehicle from such inspection.

5.74.060 Parking lot defined.

“Parking lot,” as used in this chapter, means and includes any place maintained for the outdoor parking of cars, where such parking is permitted upon payment or compensation, or is made available solely to the patrons or customers of any place of business. “Parking lot” does not include any public place.

5.74.070 License requirements.

It is unlawful to operate a parking lot without having first obtained a license therefor. Application for such license shall be made in writing to the license official and shall contain all necessary information to ensure compliance with the provisions of this section, including a description of the location and size of the lot, the number of cars to be accommodated, and a statement of any services, other than parking, and of any articles or commodities for sale, offered to patrons of the parking

lot. The annual license fee for such license shall be that prescribed in the fee schedule adopted pursuant to section 5.06.050.

5.74.080 Conduct of other business on same premises.

If any business, other than that of parking lot, is conducted on the same premises with a parking lot, such business shall be conducted in full compliance with all ordinances pertinent thereto, and any license required for the operation of such business must be procured and the fee required therefor must be paid.

5.74.090 Rates and hours to be posted.

At the entrance of each parking lot there shall be posted, in words and figures large enough to be read by prospective patrons, a statement of the rates to be charged and the closing hours.

5.74.100 Building construction regulations.

Any buildings constructed on a parking lot shall be constructed in full compliance with the ordinances pertaining thereto, and shall have exterior walls of nonflammable material; however, any structure used or to be used for office purposes only may have less than the minimum area requirements prescribed for residences or commercial buildings.

5.74.110 Fire protection requirements.

It is unlawful to operate any parking lot unless there are available on the premises adequate fire extinguishers and personnel competent to use the same. There shall be maintained on each parking lot at least one hand chemical fire extinguisher having a capacity of one quart of liquid or two and one-half pounds of carbon dioxide for each ten cars for which accommodations are offered, which extinguisher shall always be maintained in good order and in accessible places. Where accommodations are provided for more than 100 cars, there shall be maintained, in addition

to the hand extinguishers required, at least one portable chemical fire extinguisher having a capacity of two and one-half gallons of liquid or 15 pounds of carbon dioxide.

5.74.120 Driveways.

No driveway to a parking lot shall be constructed except in full compliance with the ordinances relative to the issuance of permits for driveways, and it shall be the duty of the operator of each parking lot to maintain the sidewalk and parkway over which such driveway passes in good condition.

5.74.130 Trash and refuse containers.

If a parking lot is maintained in connection with a licensed establishment serving food for consumption on the premises, and food or drinks are served to the occupants of cars, adequate containers must be maintained for all trash and refuse, and the refuse must be cleaned up, and the premises must be kept thoroughly cleaned by the proprietor.

5.74.140 Intoxicating liquor restrictions.

It is unlawful to serve intoxicating liquor for consumption in any car parked in a parking lot or to consume any intoxicating liquor while therein.

5.74.150 Abandoned, junked and other vehicles prohibited.

It is unlawful to park or store in any parking lot any vehicle that is not in a condition ready for use, or to permit the parking in such lot of any abandoned, junked or partially disabled vehicle. It is unlawful to use any parking lot for storage or parking of any vehicle for the purpose of displaying the same for sale.